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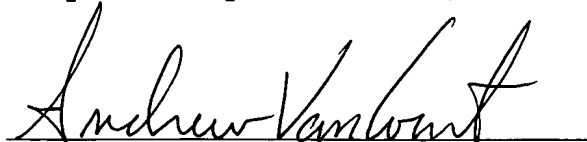
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Status Inquiry in the
above-referenced patent application.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge
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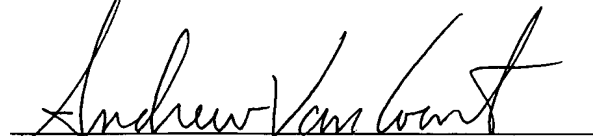
Sir:

Applicant filed an Issue Fee Transmittal with the Patent and Trademark Office on April 11, 2003 to pay the issue fee due in connection with the above-identified patent application. Since that time, applicant has not received any Patent and Trademark Office communication in connection with this application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Patent and Trademark Office communicate the current status of

the above-identified patent application to the undersigned.

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